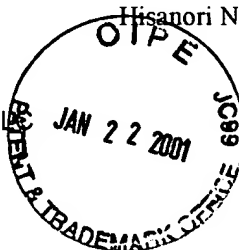




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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$160.
 - **\$160** for **2** independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1000.**

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Hisanori NAKAJIMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/686,078

Confirmation No.: Not yet assigned

Filed: October 12, 2000



Attorney Docket Q61176

Group Art Unit: 2622

Examiner: NOT YET ASSIGNED

For: IMAGE CONVERTING APPARATUS, STORAGE MEDIUM, AND IMAGE CONVERTING METHOD

SUBMISSION OF EXECUTED DECLARATION AND BASIC FILING FEE IN RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

ATTN: BOX MISSING PARTS

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Filing Date Granted" mail date November 28, 2000, for the above application, Applicants respectfully submit herewith the Declaration for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors.

A check for the statutory fee of \$1,000.00 (\$710.00 for basic filing fee, \$160.00 for 2 excess independent claims, and \$130.00 for late declaration surcharge) is attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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